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- (5) Chinese Patent Publication No. CN 1256396 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (6) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 59-225540 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (7) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 3-211474 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Singapore claims by the Australian Examiner, is set forth in the Australian Search Report.

Applicant notes that copies of documents (1) and (2), together with English language Abstracts thereof, were previously cited in and supplied with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 26, 2006. Thus copies of documents (1) and (2) are not provided herewith. Applicant also notes that JP 7-288270 A, which is a patent family member of document (3), was cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 26, 2006.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of above-noted documents (5) – (7), including the noted English language Abstracts, are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the Australian Search Report is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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		English Language Abstract of CN 1256396.
		English Language Abstract of JP 59-225540.
		English Language Abstract of JP 3-211474.

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